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SUBJECT: FILIPINO ASYLUM SEEKER (PLANAS, CHARITO)

REF: (A) STATE 114516, (B) MANILA 7198, (C) STATE 127737
(D) MANILA 8328

1. RAUL MANGLAPUS OF MOVEMENT FOR A FREE PHILIPPINES (REF A) MONDAY, MAY 22, INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT CHARITO PLANAS HAS MADE HER WAY TO SABAH AND IS HIDING THERE UNDER AN ASSUMED NAME, LILY APOSTOL. MANGLAPUS SAID HE HAD ALREADY CABLED VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE AND WRITTEN TO INS COMMISSIONER CASTILO RE ASYLUM FOR HER.

2. FOR KUALA LUMPUR: WHILE INS/CO HAS AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO AUTHORIZE PAROLE, CONTACT TO THIS POINT HAS, TO DEPART-
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MENT'S KNOWLEDGE, BEEN ENTIRELY THROUGH INTERMEDIARIES (REFS A AND B). EMBASSY SHOULD PREPARE TO INFORM GOM AUTHORITIES IF PLANAS MAKES CONTACT AND ASCERTAIN WHETHER THEY WOULD COOPERATE IN ALLOWING HER TO DEPART MALAYSIA. NO ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN WITHOUT PRIOR DEPARTMENT APPROVAL. IF SHE DOES APPROACH EMBASSY AND IS PERSONALLY INTERVIEWED, EMBASSY SHOULD INFORM DEPARTMENT OF THAT FACT AND WHY SHE IS SEEKING

ASSISTANCE. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES PAROLE DOCUMENTS
COULD WITH DEPARTMENT CONCURRENCE BE ISSUED TO HER PER REF A.

3. FOR MANILA: EMBASSY SHOULD PREPARE TO INFORM GOP
AUTHORITIES IF PLANAS MAKES CONTACT WITH AMEMBASSY KUALA
LUMPUR, ALTHOUGH NO ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN WITHOUT PRIOR
DEPARTMENT APPROVAL.

4. MAY 21 WASHINGTON POST CARRIED MATHEWS/WIDEMAN STORY
(REFS C AND D) THAT QUOTE VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE PROMISED
ASYLUM UNQUOTE TO PLANAS BUT QUOTE OFFERED NO HELP UNTIL
SHE REACHED AMERICAN SOIL UNQUOTE, CITING AS SOURCES
MARTIAL LAW OPPONENTS WHO SAW MONDALE IN MANILA. COMPLETE
TEXT IS BEING POUCHED. GUIDANCE FOR MAY 22 NOON PRESS
BRIEFING IS BEING PREPARED AND WILL BE CABLED SEPTTEL. ALL
INQUIRIES RE THIS CASE SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE DEPART-
MENT.

5. FOR KUALA LUMPUR: MANGLAPUS REPORTS THAT PLANAS IS
AT SOON-YI HOTEL IN TAWAU, SABAH, AND THAT HE HAS ASKED
UNHCR TO BE ALERT TO HER APPEARANCE IN MALAYSIA. HE
BELIEVES THAT GOM WILL ASK FOR HER EXPULSION WHEN THEY
ASCERTAIN HER PRESENCE. VANCE

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